REMARK

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application as amended. No claims have been amended. No new matter has been added. The first paragraph of the specification was amended to include the application serial number of the application to which priority was claimed. Applicant respectfully requests that the aforementioned amendment be entered.

CONCLUSION

Charge our Deposit Account

Please charge any shortage to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Specification:

Paragraph [0001] at page 1 has been amended as follows:

The present application claims priority to the provisional filed application entitled *METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR BALANCING BANDWIDTH AMONG MULTIPLE PORTS OF A NETWORK ELEMENT*, filed on December 7, 2001, serial no. [______] 60/340,982, which is also incorporated herein by reference.